



NEWS RELEASE

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TFD RESPONDS TO NEAR DROWNING 2 YEAR-OLD MALE PULLED FROM SWIMMING POOL

Dispatch Time: 9:17 A.M. On-Scene: 9:21 A.M.

Transport to Hospital: 9:24 A.M.

Tucson Fire units responded to the 3100 block of North Sioux for a near drowning involving a 2 year-old male. The patient was found in the above ground swimming pool and pulled out. CPR was administered on scene as TFD units were en route. Tucson Fire Paramedics arrived on scene, assessed the patient, and quickly transported the child to the hospital for further medical care.

Safety Message: Drowning is the #1 cause of unintentional death for children ages one to four years of age. Drowning is called the "silent killer" because there are no cries for help. Living the ABC's of pool safety is imperative to prevent a near drowning or worse, a drowning. A is Active Adult Supervision is the first and most important part. Watch children at all times

around water.

B is Barriers. Have a fence that encloses the pool or spa and make sure the gates are self-closing and self-latching.

C is Classes. CPR for Adults and age appropriate swim lessons for the children. Knowing CPR enables the parent to be a first responder.

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